

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1750**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2022

**DRAFT POLICY FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT**

1750. SHRI BRIJLAL:

Will the Minister of Women and Child Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has made any draft policy for women empowerment recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the salient features of the draft;
- (c) whether Government has invited views of the concerned departments on the various points included in the draft policy and if so, their responses thereto; and
- (d) the additional steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government for women empowerment?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) to (d): A National Policy for Women is already in place since 2001. Further, the review of programmes and policies is a continuous process and based on the recommendations, suggestions and learning outcomes, the Government takes appropriate measure to amend the policies and programmes from time to time.

Over the past few years, various Ministries/ Departments of Central Government have taken up a number of schematic and legislative interventions in their respective domain for educational, social, economic and political empowerment of women. In this direction, the Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing the Umbrella Scheme 'Mission Shakti' for safety, security and empowerment of women that focuses on strategies for improving convergence across Ministries/ Departments and at different levels of governance through a participatory approach to address the issues of women and girls on a life cycle continuum basis.

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